

## Virginia Wallace

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: IIS-Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch,

I write you today in strong support of LightSquared's plans to improve America's cell phone infrastructure with a new broadband network. I hope the Commission will stay the course in providing a fair outcome for a reasonable request from LightSquared. You have done a fantastic job finding common ground so that this process can benefit both sides.

I have been intrigued by the new tablet computers that seem to be popping up everywhere. And I am impressed by their ability to utilize wireless internet connections and GPS enabled apps. The same goes for the smart phones and almost every other gadget hitting the market today. My point is this: why won't the GPS industry welcome a new network? All new technologies will win if you allow LightSquared to build their network. Deep down I believe you know this to be the case, and I hope you will compel both to work together for a solution to the interference concerns cited by GPS companies.

And when LightSquared gets their approval, it's not as if they will create a competitive imbalance that could hurt cell companies or GPS companies. In fact they both stand to make windfall fortunes when the 4G network starts to put the EDGE and 3G networks on the path of dial-up connections.

I'd also like to inform you that LightSquared is not a haphazard outfit looking to score a quick victory that allows them to "go public" or make a quick buck. LightSquared is a real American success story that has worked for 10 years to launch this much needed mobile phone network. It's almost as if the GPS industry is jealous and fighting them for all the wrong reasons. And with our economy ebbing close to a depression and potential long term financial ruin, I can't think of a better way to generate energy and jobs to our economy.

I'm betting that if given a conditional approval, LightSquared will not only find a solution but possibly invent something that could lead us even more technologies to move America forward. As a country that has led the modern world in this area for several generations, I think it would be out of character for the FCC to stop this proposal.

At some point Washington, Congress and even your Agency has to get out of the way to let new ideas flourish. In a perfect world we'd even see government nurture and invest in the ideas that smart companies like LightSquared can run with and keep our business climate strong.

Even if that doesn't happen, the government could still stand to get this one right and let this go forward. If not, then I have little faith in anything turning this country around. So let LightSquared find the solutions and if your office can help I believe you should. But at a minimum you should stop the GPs' companies from being short sighted or playing dirty tricks that will hurt a new idea from going to market.

Sincerely,



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